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**For: DEVICE FOR OPERATING A SUN SHADE, AN UMBRELLA OR THE
LIKE**

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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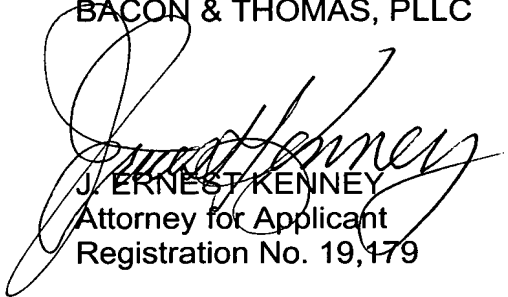
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U.S. Patent Documents

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